

Remarks:

This amendment is submitted in an earnest effort to advance this case to issue without delay.

The priority papers were filed with the original application papers and their receipt was acknowledged in the above-mentioned Examiner's Action. The undersigned hereby reiterates the priority claim made in the earlier-filed Declaration.

The multiple dependencies in the claims have been eliminated.

The drawing has been amended to insert legends. If the proposed informal drawing is approved, a formal drawing with somewhat larger print will be supplied.

The claims have been amended by insertion into claims 1 and 11 the subject matter of claims 4 and 14 respectively. In addition the claim language has been cleaned up somewhat and the reference numerals have been eliminated.

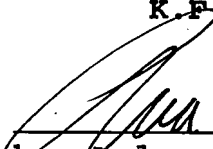
Nothing in US 2003/096622 of Moilenen suggests using a global error function that is the difference between the dimensions included in the set of measured dimensions and zero. Indeed Moilenen is based on the use of an "approximation" and not a global

error function at all. There is an "error minimisation routine" but nothing resembling the defined global error function.

Thus the instant invention as now claimed is allowable under §102 and §103 over Moilenen. Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If only minor problems that could be corrected by means of a telephone conference stand in the way of allowance of this case, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned to make the necessary corrections.

Respectfully submitted,
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